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Mr. *Timothy*,

THE following is far from being the beſt wrote Piece on the Subject, that has been exhibited (for we could not obtain the Aſſiſtance of any one Batchelor, tho' many have been applied to for it;) yet, as it is calculated to encourage the better peopling of this Province, we hope you will not refuſe to inſert it in your next. We are ſenſible, that ſome *Old Batchelors* have been rejected, as many of us, for want of *large Eſtates*, &c. but let them addreſs a Petition *to the married Women*, and ſuch of them as are not too much given to *Slavery*, may depend on our utmoſt joint Encouragement. We are

By Order of the Club, Pamela Love, *Sec.* — *Your conſtant Readers, and hum. Servants*, &c.

To all married Men to whom theſe Preſents ſhall come.

The Humble Petition of a Society of young Women known by the Name of, The Petticoat Club, *in behalf of themſelves and ſeveral Hundred of others, between the Age of* Sixteen *and* Forty, *in this Town and Province*; Sheweth,

THAT your Petitioners being all of the ancient and honourable Family of the *Wife-wou'd be's*, and being arrived to the Age of Maturity, are as we flatter ourſelves, of as good Abilities both of Body and Mind as any the World does afford, and have his Majeſty's Honour and the Intereſt of this Province at Heart; yet, notwithſtanding all our Accompliſhments and utmoſt Endeavours, together with the vaſt Expences to ſet ourſelves out to the beſt Advantage, we are fruſtrated of this our laudable Deſign, by the unſufferable Stupidity and Obſtinacy of a Set of Men called *Old Batchelors*, who know and ought to do better, and who, in Contempt of the Laws both of God and Nature, and to the inexpreſſible Damage of this Province, do oblige us, contrary to our Deſires and Inclinations, to remain uſeleſs and ever burtheniome Members thereof.

For our Relief in theſe our deplorable Circumſtances, 'tis our earneſt Deſire, that you would ſo far commiſerate our Condition, as to uſe your utmoſt Endeavours, that there be ſuch a Fine laid on all Offenders of this Nature, as may bear ſome Proportion to the Heinouſneſs of their Crimes; and that all Batchelors above 26 Years of Age, may be obliged to pay a moderate Tax, which ſhould yearly increaſe till they arrive to 40; that the ſaid Fine may be applied to the Education of the Boys of this Province, that ſo they may have the Opportunity of learning more Senſe and better Manners, and wherein the true Intereſt of their Country does conſiſt.—And if any of the aforeſaid Drones ſhall perſume to continue in their Obſtinacy till the Age of 40, then we pray, that there may be ſome public Mark of Diſtinction, that they may be known from other Men; and we think it not improper, to oblige ſuch ſtubborn Offenders to wear one ſide of their Beard at full Length, to ſhew their age, and the other half ſhaved bare, as a Mark of their Folly; unleſs they can make appear they have done ſomething of equivalent Advantage to their Country; which we think can hardly be, and believe will be the caſe of very few of them. We hope you will not deny us your kind Aſſiſtance, and your Petitioners, as in Duty bound, ſhall ever pray, *&c.*

But conſidering oftentimes when good and wholeſome Laws are propoſed, there have not been wanting ſome, who out of ſiniſter and ſelfiſh Principles, have endeavoured to impede and hinder the ſame; and leſt this may be our Caſe, and that thereby we may ſuffer irreparable Damage, we ſhall beg Leave to ſupport our Cauſe, *Firſt*, by endeavouring to prove the Things aſſerted in the Preamble to this Petition; and in the next Place, to make appear the Reaſonableneſs of the Thing petitioned for, and alſo wherein it would be for the Intereſt of this Province.

That there are ſuch Numbers of the ancient and honourable Family of the *Wife-wou'd-be's*, in this Province, is ſo manifeſt it needs no Proof; that the Treatment they meet with, is in Contempt to the Divine Law, is plain; for no ſooner was Man created Male and Female, but God commanded them to *increaſe and multiply, and repleniſh the Earth*; which Command the *Old Batchelors* have no Regard to, unleſs to repleniſh it with ſuch an illegitimate tawny Race, as would be a ſtanding Reproach to the Parents, and which oftentimes they are aſhamed to own. We could multiply Texts of Scripture to the Purpoſe; but that being the particular Buſineſs of the Prieſt, who in the End would be no Loſer by promoting what we ſo much deſire, we ſhall paſs on to ſhew, that it is even contrary to the Laws of Nature. We ſee that the Male and Female of all Species of Creatures (except the *Old Batchelors*) have a natural Inclination towards each other, by which their Kind is propagated and maintained in the World; ſo that many, even of the ſavage Beaſts, chuſe their Mates, and mutually aſſiſt in providing their Young, 'till they can help themſelves; the very Fowls of the Air are an undeniable Proof of this Aſſertion; nay, 'tis a general Rule with the whole Creation, and the *Old Batchelor* ſeems to be the only Exception; and how he will account for the *Talent* committed to his Charge, we know not, but fear his Doom will be with the unprofitable Servant who hid his Lord's Money in the Earth; which we would willing prevent if we were able.

The next Thing to prove is, that what we petition for, is reaſonable; And this will appear, if it be conſidered, that thoſe that are beſt able, and have leaſt Charge on their Hands, ought to pay the moſt Tax: That the Batchelors have the leaſt Charge, in plain, having none but himſelf to ſupport, and yet has the ſame Liberty and Opportunity to purſue his Buſineſs as other Men; For which Reaſon if he is not capable, it's his own Fault, which often happens; for, having no ſuitable Companion at home, he is often inclined to indulge himſelf in drunken Frolicks abroad, not only to the Damage of his own Health, but often to the great Diſturbance of the whole Town in which he lives.

As to the diſtinguiſhing Mark we mentioned, it cannot be denied, but as he who acts for the Benefit and Intereſt of his country, deſerves publick *Marks of Honour*; ſo he that does otherwiſe, as well deſerves ſome public *badge of diſgrace*; for if both are alike eſteemed, what Encouragement is there for virtuous Actions?

Now, that theſe Men do not purſue the true Intereſt of their Country, is the next Thing in Order. It muſt be allowed the Riches, Strength and Security of a Country, conſiſts in the Number, of its Inhabitants, well employed, diſciplined and inſtructed: We don't mean ſuch Inhabitants, tranſported Convicts or Slaves, who like *Æſop's* Aſs, care not what Maſters they ſerve; but ſuch free born Natives as have ever been eſteemed the beſt Defence, and moſt to be depended on in Time of Need. Now, that the honourable State of Matrimony may be brought in ſuch Credit and Reputation, as it may be counted a Shame long to keep out of it, is what we propoſe as the only lawful Method to attain this great and neceſſary End, and thoſe who oppoſe it can't be eſteemed true to their Country's Intereſt; for, could we accompliſh our Deſires, we would anſwer for it, that we would quickly fill the Country with ſuch a numerous Race, as would bid Defiance to both *French* and *Spaniards*, and would ſufficiently chaſtiſe any Enemy that dar'ſt preſume to attack us: And ſince the Children of this Province are endowed with as good Faculties, and are as capable of Learning, as in any other Country; if the Fine above mentioned were applied to their Education, why may not ſome of us hope to be a Mother of a *Boyle*,

a *Locke*, a *Marlborough*, or even a *Newton*; and then what Honour and Renown would this reflect upon this Province!

Were Batchelors but wise enough to see
The Way to Bliss and true Felicity,
How soon would they exchange their senseless Noise,
For prattling Girls and lovely smilling Boys,
Who round their Table would their Praise proclaim,
Maintain their Honour and preserve their Name,
Defend their Country, and their Fame convey
To future Generations: Thus we pray.

Boston, April 10. From *New-York* we have Advice, that a Pirate Brigt. supposed to be *English*, was cruizing off the *Havanna*, where she had taken several Vessels.

CUSTOM-HOUSE CHARLES-TOWN, *Enter'd Inwards.*

Ship Diligence, Edward Johnson, from London.
Snow Jane, Daniel Clark, from Cowes.
Sloop Peggy, John Southey, from Providence.

Entered Outwards.

Ship Elizabeth, Robert Ferrier, for Portugal.
Schooner Cambridge, James Doram, for St. Kitts.
Sloop Hunter, Joseph Mathelin, for Barbados.

Clear'd for Departure.

Ship Eagle, Andrew Breading, to Lisbon.
Snow Boston Packet, William Hayton, to Portugal.
Billander Amelia, John Windsor, to Lisbon.
Schooner Elizabeth, William Hume, to St. Augustine.
Sloop Ranger, Thomas Young, to Antigua.
Sloop Happy-go-lucky, David Fry, to New-York.

EXPORTED from this Place, since the first of *November* 1748.
Of the Growth and Manufacture of this Province.

Rice, 32,692 Barrels.	Turpentine, 1,091 Barrels.
Pitch, 2,389 Barrels.	Deer-Skins, 255 Hhds.
Tar, 1,784 Barrels.	Indico, 59,677 *lb.*

PRICE CURRENT at CHARLES-TOWN,

(Of the Country Growth and Manufacture.)

By the Barrel.

Beef, 7 *l.*
Pork, 10 *l.*
Rate per Cent. 3 *l.*
Pitch 55 *s.*
Tar, 50 *s.*
Turpentine, 10 *s.* to 12 *s.* 6
Rosin, 8 *s.*

By the Pound.

Indigo, 15, 17 *s.* 6, & 20 *s.*
Deer-Skins, 12 to 15 *s.*
Green Hides, 20, 30 & 35 *s.*
Tann'd Leather, 2 *s.* 10 *d.* to 3 *s.*

By the Thousand.

Pipe Staves, 30 *l.*
Hogshead ditto, 20 *l.*
Barrel ditto, white Oak, 8 *l.*
Ditto, red Oak, 7 *l.*
Bricks, 5 *l.*
Cypress Shingles, 3 *l.* 10

By the Hundred Feet.

Feathredge Boards, 37 *s.* 6
Pine Inch Boards, 40 to 45 *s.*
Cypress ditto, 3 *l.* 10 *s.*
Pine Timber, 3 *l.* to 3 *l.* 10
Pine Scantling, 3 *l.*
Pine Plank, 3 *l.* to 3 *l.* 10
Cypress ditto, 7 *l.* 10, to 11 *l.*

By the Bushel.

Corn, 12 *s.* 6
Peale, 12 *s.* 6

(Of Foreign Growth and Manufacture.)

By the *Hogshead.*

Jamaica Rum, 25 *s.* per Gal.
Barbados ditto, 20 *s.*
Antigua ditto, 20 *s.*
Montserrat ditto, 20 *s.*
St. Kitt's ditto, 20 *s.*
New-England ditto, 14 *s.*
Melasses, 8 to 10 *s.*

By the *Pipe.*

Madera Wine, 80 to 95 *l.*

By the *Barrel.*

Flour, 7 *l.* 10 per Ct.
Ship Biscuit, 5 *l.*
Brown ditto, 7 *l.* 10
Muscovado Sugar, 6 to 10 *l.*

By the *Chest.*

Bohea Tea, 35 *s.* to 40
Green ditto, 4 *l.*
Hyson ditto, 7 to 10 *l.*

By the 100 Weight.

Gun-Powder, 35 *l.*
Bar Iron, 10 *l.*
English single refin'd Sugar, per lb. 6 *s.* 6
Ditto double refin'd, 8 *s.* 0
Ditto treble refin'd, 9 *s.* 0
American single refin'd, 6 *s.* 0
Black Pepper, 12 *s.* 6
Coffee, 7 *s.* 6

By the *Quarter Cask.*

Middling Bread, 50 *s.*
White ditto, 55 *s.*
Milk ditto, 3 *l.*
Butter ditto, 3 *l.* 10

By 50 or 100 *Bushels.*

Fine Salt, 7 *s.* 6 per Bush.
Coarse Salt, 12 *s.* 6

By the *Thousand.*

Slate, 7 to 8 *l.*
Tiles,

By the *Hundred* Feet.

Mahogany Plank, 27 *l.* 10

By the Ton.

Brazilletto Wood, 30 *l.*

ADVERTISEMENTS.

TAKEN up at my Landing on *Wadmelaw*, a Cypres Canow, about 23 Feet long, and 3 Feet and an half wide. The Owner may have her, proving his Right, and paying the Charges, to *James Chambers.*

ON Thursday the 15th of *June* next, if it should be a fair day, but if not, then on the day following,

Will be sold at public Vendue,

at the *New-Market* on the bay, about 10 o'clock in the morning, to the highest bidder, the remaining part unsold of the real estate of the late *James Velloux, viz.* part of a lot, up the path, known by the sign of the *bear*, joining the land late Mr. *Anderson*'s, about 35 feet broad, (as it is now fenc'd in) and 454 feet deep, with a good dwelling-house upon it, two story high, two good large rooms with a chimney in each, two garrets with fire-places, and a pidgeon-house overthem, a kitchen, oven, stable, chaise house, and several other conveniences, and a long garden behind them.

The conditions of the sale are, half of the sum to be paid upon the signing of the writings, and the other half in one year after, with interest, giving good security.

Any person desirous to see or purchase either of the premises, may treat with *Francis Guichard*, Executor.

WHEREAS *Rawlins Lowndes*, Provost-Marshal of *South-Carolina*, pursuant to the Directions of a Writ of Attachment to him directed, at the Suit of *Stead* and Company against *Barnard* and *Cussings*, did, on the 16th Day of *May*, attach two Negro Men named *Jack* and *Guy*, said to be the Property of the Defendants.

These are therefore to give Notice, to all whom it may concern, that they be and appear before the Justices of his Majesty's Court of *Common Pleas*, at the Return of the said Writ, being the 4th Day of *July* next, to shew Cause (if any they can) why the said Negroes should not be adjudged to belong to the said Defendants, pursuant to the Directions of the Act of Assembly in that Case made and provided.

THE Person who borrowed a pair of Brass Barrel Pistols, about two Years ago, of Mr. *Hugh Cartwright*, is desired to return them forthwith.

WE give this public Notice, that We intend to sell the Country Produce: Those who are pleased to employ us, may depend upon our particular Care for their Interest, and making Payments as convenient for them as possible. We sell the best *MADERA WINE* in Bottles, at 4 *l.* 10 *s.* per Doz. CLARRET at 10 *l.* and fine *Scots* ALE at 3 *l.* carried to any part of the Town free of Charge. GLEN & COOPER.

Just Imported in the last Ship from London, oznabrugs, garlix, checks, hollands, cambricks, clear lawns, edging, long lawns, callicoes, hugaback, white callicoes, pistol lawns, black taffeties, black lace, *Irish* linnen, flower'd dimities, colour'd fustians, ticken, alamode, sarsnet, new fashion'd ribbons, fans and necklaces, hoop petticoats, sewing silk, pavillion gause, masks, umbrelloes, shoe thread, *Legborn* hats, and felts, black broad cloth, duroys, sagathies, shalloons, bombazines, gilt trunks, sail cloth, writing paper, knives and forks, hard pewter, salt petre, allum, nails, hoes, sad irons, hair brooms, scrubbing brushes, hair sieves, and sundry other goods, to be sold very reasonably on the bay by *John Scott.*

ON Thursday the 8th *of* June *next, will* be exposed to sale, at *Dorchester*, on the usual terms, 4 valuable slaves, two of them (*Prince* and *Carolina*) shoe-makers, one (*Simon*) a good tanner and currier, the other a good house-wench, with some household goods, and all the lands belonging to the Estate of *Edward Vanvelsen* deceased, by *George Somers, Wm. Carwithen.*

N.B. All who don't settle their book accompts by that time, may blame themselves for the consequences of their neglect.

Juſt imported in the *Martha*, *Samuel Ball* Maſter, from *London*,

PRinted cottons,
Engliſh chints,
Moſaick ditto,
Iriſh linnens,
Iriſh ſheeting,
Hollands,
Garlix,
Oznabrugs,
Lawns,
Cambricks,
Checks,
Striped cotton gowns, with dark and light grounds,
Fine ditto with ſattin ſtripes,
Fuſtians,
White janes,
Dimities,
Turky quilts,
Ladies capuchins,
Silk bonnets,
Bruſſels camblets,
Scarlet & black everlaſting,
Alaphies,
Bombazines,
Cotton ſtockings,
Thread ditto,
Colour'd threads,
White ditto,
Linnen handkerchiefs,
Tepee ditto,
Printed cambrick ditto,
Fine white cambrick ditto, with borders,
Fans,
Ribbons,
Pins,
Dutch tape,
French ditto,
Diaper ditto,
Bobbing,
Drivey,
Gilt Buttons,
Mohair ditto,
Scarf twiſt,
And ſundry other Goods proper for the Seaſon,

Which are to be ſold very reaſonable, at the Store late Mr. *William Webb's* in *Broad ſtreet*, by *John Parnham.*

IMPORTED from *Philadelphia*, and to be ſold by *William Grant*, at his ſtore on Mr. *Motte's* wharff, flour, midling, butter, milk and ſhip bread, double beer, hops, loaf ſugar, cordage, iron chimney backs, and earthen ware, reaſonable for ready Money.

TO BE SOLD, a tract of land, ſituate on *Black-River* in *Craven*-County, containing 700 acres, bounding S. on lands belonging to Mr. *Burton* and Capt. *Meredith Hughes*, S. and W. on lands belonging to *Robert Sinclair* and *Jordan Roche*, and N. on vacant lands. Any perſon inclin'd to purchaſe, may apply to Meſſrs. *Glen & Cooper* in *Charles-Town.*

Juſt Imported from London, *in the* Diligence, Edward Johnſon *maſter, and to be ſold by* John Dart, *bohea and green tea*, London *ſingle refin'd ſugar, beſt* London *pigtail and cut tobacco, womens faſhionable hoops, womens and girls worſted and callimanco ſhoes, maſks, necklaces, ear-rings, black and white lamb gloves, callicoes, chints and printed linnens, long and ſhort pipes, roll and meal brimſtone, cotton cards, fiddle ſtrings, knives and forks of ſundry ſorts, ſundry ſorts of combs, ſpectacles in caſes, ditto with ſteel bows in fiſh-ſkin caſes, ſundry ſorts of thimbles, rings, ſleeve buttons, razors, pen-knives, ſhoe-buckles, waiſtband ditto, teleſcopes, ſundry ſorts of gilt coat and veſt buttons, ſundry ſorts of threads, buntings, twine and ſhoe thread, cloves, mace, nutmegs, cinnamon, and pepper, tapes and ferretting, knitting needles, cambrick and ſileſias, nuns holland, tandems, garlix*, Iriſh *linnen and ſheeting, brown linnens, muſlins for neckcloths*, &c. *clouting diapers, fuſtians, plain and figur'd dimities*, Iriſh *oznabrugs, ticklinburghs, and duck, blue linnen, ſtrip'd garlix, checks, ſtrip'd cottons, dowlas, romall and ſilk handkerchiefs, fine cotton and thread mens and boys hats, plates, diſhes, & baſons, copper and tin ſauce-pans, tin quart and pint pots, tea kettles, copper coffee pots, hoes and axes, ſtock and padlocks, quills, ink-powder, ſealing wax and waſers, teſtaments, ſpelling and pocket books, ſewing ſilk, ribbons, gartering, black alamode, and hatband crape, ſhirts and trowſers, jackets and breeches, black and ſcarlet broad cloth and ſhalloon, nails of ſundry ſorts, powder and ſhot, with ſundry other goods proper for the ſeaſon.*

CHOICE MADEIRA WINE juſt imported in the *Carolina*, Capt. *Horrie*, to be ſold by *Robert Pringle*, & Comp.

TO BE SOLD,

By *JOHN LINING* in BROAD-STREET,

Stoughton's Bitters, at 40 *ſ. per Quart*,
TREACLE WATER, at 25 *ſh.*
Citron Water, at 6 *l. per Gallon*,
Uſquebaugh, and Cinamon Water, at 5 *l.*
Geneva, Orange, Aniſeed, Mint, and Tanſey Waters, at 40 *ſ.*

TO BE SOLD for ready Money, a very good and neat houſe-wench, that can cook, waſh, and iron very well, and bake biſket and bread, with her daughter, a good ſeamſtreſs. Enquire of Mrs. *Stewart* in one of Col. *Prioleau's* tenements in *Friend-ſtreet*, who will inform and ſhew the purchaſer to make thoſe little biſkets ſhe lately ſold about town.

TO BE SOLD for ready Money, at public vendue, in *Charles-Town*, on friday the 26th inſtant *May*, a valuable plantation on *Wadmelaw-Iſland*, belonging lately to *Hugh Chryſtie*, containing 300 acres, with a good dwelling-houſe underpin'd with brick, a barn, kitchen and dairy, a very good orchard with variety of fruits, a very good ſet of indico vats, with 4 dams already made for holding back water, by

Rawlins Lowndes, Pr.M.

RUN AWAY from the Subſcriber's plantation at *Stono*, about a month ago, a negro fellow named *Jack*, lately belonging to Mr. *Robert Thorpe* (and was his driver) and formerly to Mr. *Pendarvis* deceaſed; he is a middle aged tall negro, very ſenſible, and ſpeaks good *Engliſh*, is very expert in hunting, and is pretty well ſtock'd with cloaths. Whoever brings him to the ſaid plantation, the work houſe, or to me in *Charles-Town*, ſhall have 10 l. reward, beſides lawful charges.

Rawlins Lowndes.

JUST IMPORTED in the *Jenny*, *Hugh Paterſon* maſter, from *Glaſgow*, an aſſortment of *ſcots* checks, white linnens, oznabrugs, bag holland, white and brown thread ſtockings, brown and ſtrip'd hollands, bed ticks, plaid, diaper, *iriſh* linnen, mens ſaddles and houſings, mens and womens ſhoes, *ſcots* thread, linnen handkerchiefs, ſingle and double refined ſugars, felt hats, cordage and ſail cloth, *ſcots* coals, and ſundry other goods, to be ſold on very reaſonable terms, by the ſaid maſter, at his ſtore on Mr. *Motte's* wharff.

TO BE SOLD, the remainder of a leaſe of 43 years and a half yet to come, of a peice of ground, being part of a lot held of the elders of the *French* church, ſituate on the eaſt ſide of *King-ſtreet* in *Charles-Town*, on which is a very good brick dwelling houſe, a brick kitchen and ſtore; there is a very good garden with other conveniences, ſubject to the rent only of *two Pounds, thirteen ſhillings, & ſeven Pence Sterling per Annum.* Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe the ſame, may treat with Mrs. *Angel Harden* on *Charles-Town* neck, or with Mr. *Edward Richardſon* in *Charles-Town*, and know the conditions of the ſale.

JUST IMPORTED in the laſt Ship from *Hull*, and to be ſold very cheap by the ſubſcriber, at his ſtore on the bay, *viz.* all ſorts and ſizes of pewter diſhes, plates, chamber potts, porringers, tea-potts, large cups, ditto with covers, braſs and copper ſkillets, ſtands, candleſticks, ſnuffers, ladles, coffee pots, braſs cocks and kettles, all ſorts of earthen ware, crown glaſs in ſheets and cut into all ſizes, cables from 12 inches downwards, and all other ſorts and ſizes of cordage for compleatly rigging ſhips and pettiaugua's, with ſpunyarn, marline, twine and oakum, all ſorts of cutlery and hard ware, beſt *ſcotch* ſnuff, womens ſilk, callimanco and everlaſting ſhoes, mens leather ſhoes and pumps, charming *Hull* ale in bottles and caſks of all ſizes, fine vinegar, fine *Cheſhire* cheeſe, and ſundry other goods ſuitable for the ſeaſon. *Thomas Reaſton.*

STRAY'D from the late Mr. *Henry Izard's* plantation on *Gooſe-Creek* road, called the Camp, a grey mare 14 hands high, with a ſhort tail, and this W on the mounting buttock; with a bay colt, about a year old, branded on the mounting ſhoulder and buttock F.S. Whoever brings them to me on the ſaid plantation, ſhall have 6 *l.* reward. *Felix Smith.*

BROUGHT to the Work-Houſe.

Adam, a run away Negro Fellow, ſpeaks very bad *Engliſh*, and ſays he belongs to one *Paine*, has a large ſcar on his right arm.

Pompey, a run-away negro fellow, belonging to Mr. *White* at *Black-River*.

A run away Negro Fellow, belonging to *William Cattell* ſen. Eſq.

At CLIFFORD's-INN in King-ſtreet, Charleſtown, *Man and Horſe may depend on being well entertain'd, by* John Clifford.